

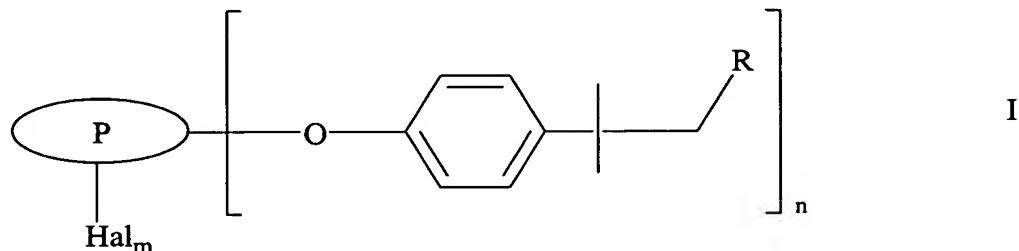
IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A composition comprising

i) at least one radiation-absorbing tert-alkylphenoxy-substituted polycyclic compound

~~A of the general formula I~~



where

P is a conjugated polycyclic radical which is stable to bases and nucleophiles, optionally bears aryl substituents and contains no group from the group consisting of -CO-NH-CO-, -COOH and -CO-O-CO-;

R is C_1 - C_8 -alkyl, whose wherein the carbon chain of said C_1 - C_8 -alkyl may be interrupted by one or more groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -NR¹-, -CO- and -SO₂- and which may be monosubstituted or polysubstituted by identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy and a 5- to 7-membered heterocyclic radical which is attached via a nitrogen atom and may contain further heteroatoms and/or may be aromatic; or R is C_5 - C_8 -cycloalkyl, whose wherein the carbon framework of said C_1 - C_8 -cycloalkyl may be interrupted by one or more groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -NR¹-, -CO- and -SO₂- and which may be monosubstituted or polysubstituted by C_1 - C_6 -alkyl;

R¹ is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 -alkyl;

Hal is chlorine and/or or bromine or mixtures thereof;

m is from 0 to 15; and

n is from 1 to 16, ~~subject to the proviso that~~ wherein the sum

m + n is \leq 16

and

ii) at least one curable IR-reflecting component B which comprises

- a) at least one achiral nematic polymerizable monomer and at least one chiral polymerizable monomer;
- b) at least one cholesteric polymerizable monomer;
- c) at least one cholesteric crosslinkable polymer; or
- d) at least one cholesteric polymer in a polymerizable diluent.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~the group~~ said P in [[a]] said compound A of ~~the general~~ formula I is a base-stable radical selected from the group consisting of naphthalenes, anthracenes, phenanthrenes, tetracenes, perylenes, terrylenes, quatterylenes, pentarylenes, hexarylenes, anthraquinones, indanthrones, N-substituted naphthalene-1,8-dicarboxylic monoimides, N,N'-disubstituted naphthalene-1,8:4,5-tetracarboxylic diimides, N-substituted perylene-3,4-dicarboxylic monoimides, N,N'-disubstituted perylene-3,4:9,10-tetracarboxylic diimides, N,N'-disubstituted terrylene-3,4:11,12-tetracarboxylic diimides, N,N'-disubstituted quaterrylene-3,4:13,14-tetracarboxylic diimides, acridines, carbazoles, dibenzofurans, dinaphthofurans, benzimidazoles, benzothiazoles, phenazines, dioxazines, quinacridones, metal phthalocyanines, metal naphthalocyanines, metal porphyrins, cumarins, dibenzofuranones, dinaphthofuranones, benzimidazolones, indigo compounds, thioindigo compounds, quinophthalones, naphthoquinophthalones and diketopyrrolopyrroles.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The composition as claimed in ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, which comprises from 0.01 to 20% by weight of said compound A, based on the total weight of ~~compound~~ said component B.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The composition as claimed in ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein said component B comprises at least one achiral nematic polymerizable monomer and at least one chiral polymerizable monomer.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The composition as claimed in ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, which further comprises at least one auxiliary selected from the group consisting of photoinitiators, binders, leveling agents, ~~and~~ UV stabilizers, ~~and~~ weathering stabilizers, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A heat-insulating coating comprising at least one oriented, cured layer of [[a]] said composition as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1.

Claim 8 (Original): A heat-insulating coating as claimed in claim 7, which comprises at least one oriented, IR-reflecting, cured cholesteric polymer which has a helical superstructures pitch which corresponds to a wavelength in the IR spectral range.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A heat-insulating coating as claimed in claim 8, which comprises at least two layers, wherein said at least two layers each comprise an the IR-reflecting ~~polymers in the different layers each~~ polymer having different helical

superstructures pitches which correspond to wavelengths in the IR spectral range, and/or or
opposite chiralities; or different helical superstructures pitches which correspond to
wavelengths in the IR spectral range and opposite chiralities.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A process for producing a heat-insulating coating as claimed in claim 7 ~~or 8~~, which comprises applying to a substrate [[a]] said composition as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, and, if desired optionally, orienting said composition and curing said composition.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A process as claimed in claim 10, wherein said curing is carried out by polymerizing ~~the monomers of groups a) or b) or the solvent of group d)~~ said at least one achiral nematic polymerizable monomer and at least one chiral polymerizable monomer; or said at least one cholesteric polymerizable monomer; or said polymerizable diluent, or crosslinking of the polymer of group e) said at least one cholesteric crosslinkable polymer.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): An article having thereon comprising a heat-insulating coating as claimed in ~~any of claims 7 to 9~~ claim 7.